



# CULPEPER MINUTES

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This newsletter is a quarterly publication to the citizens of Culpeper County by the Board of Supervisors. It is designed to present and provide information about issues affecting those who live in Culpeper. Over 19,000 copies are distributed, one to each mail address in Town, County, and to each U.S.P.S. Box within the Town and County of Culpeper.

The newsletter is also available online [www.culpepercounty.gov](http://www.culpepercounty.gov)  
Comments and suggestions may be emailed to: [dhoffman@culpepercounty.gov](mailto:dhoffman@culpepercounty.gov)

## A Message from the Board of Supervisors

Dear Citizens:

I hope that this issue of the Culpeper Minutes finds you well. Spring has arrived and by the time you receive this, the fiscal year '07 Budget should be essentially complete. Balancing capital needs for major facilities on the horizon, such as new schools and a new jail, has been a difficult process. The unprecedented growth in the community provides increased revenue, but even greater costs for services. We have done our best to prioritize projects, to time them appropriately, and to focus on careful financial planning in order to address our needs as economically as possible.

I would like to recognize that the Culpeper Community Complex opened on schedule on April 1<sup>st</sup>. I wish to thank the many people who helped to make the project a reality, and thanks to everyone who participated in the opening ceremonies.

I hope that the Culpeper Minutes continues to be a valuable source of information. Please remember that the Board of Supervisors and Administration are here to assist you. Do not hesitate to contact any Board member or Staff member with questions, concerns, or comments.

Thank you.

For the Board,

John F. Coates, Chairman  
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Meetings of the Board of Supervisors are held the first Tuesday of each month: at 10 a.m. for general County business and at 7 p.m. for a public forum, planning business and public hearings. Agendas are available prior to the meetings at the Library and on the County website at [www.culpepercounty.gov](http://www.culpepercounty.gov) and minutes are available following the meetings. Video coverage is provided by Channel 21.

### Facts about Your County

**Area:** 381 square miles  
**Population:** estimated 43,928  
**Real Estate Tax:** \$.89 per \$100 assessed value  
(Town residents pay an additional \$.9 per \$100 assessed value)  
**Personal Property Tax:** \$2.50 per \$100 assessed value  
**County maps:** [www.culpepercounty.gov](http://www.culpepercounty.gov) GIS online

### Facts about our Schools

**Current school enrollment:** 6,938  
(7,026 including pre-school)  
**High School** One  
**Middle Schools** Two  
**Elementary Schools** Five

## A Report from the County Administrator



Frank Bossio

As spring approaches and the FY 07 budget nears completion, I am thankful for the opportunity to reflect on some of the achievements of the past year. There is so much to talk about, but like my high school themes, I was told I was limited to 400 (or so) words. No doubt, that like high school, I will exercise the “or so” option.

I am sure that if you are reading about the new high school for the first time in this publication, you are new to the area, so let me begin with some background. The new high school is scheduled to be completed in 2008 and will be built at Green’s Corner on Route 666 adjacent to the new sports complex.

In 2001 the Board of Supervisors expressed concerns about the impact of growth on the schools. At that time, the Board asked the county staff to look at what type school might be needed and to offer a methodology to begin the funding sequence. At that time it was believed that a new middle school would be needed as a consequence of integrating 6<sup>th</sup> grades into the middle schools. During budget sessions, the board put money into a line item that would begin the savings program for future school capital. Eventually, the School Board indicated a desire to build a high school first. That account provided the basis for funding for the new high school. I am certain that many of you have read the trials and tribulations during the process from conception to final approval of the \$47.1 million in construction costs. From beginning to end this program was unique not only from the standpoint that it is the largest single project cost that this County has ever funded, but that it was accomplished without referendum, using a committee of hard-working, community-minded individuals, aptly named the SOC or School Oversight Committee. This committee idea was not original, but one that a few of the supervisors brought back from a visit to another county which had just completed a new high school. The SOC has members appointed by both the Board of Supervisors and the School Board. They worked diligently to locate property, and to ultimately produce the final design from which the plans were drawn. During the process, the SOC kept the public informed and, with the help of the media, put every issue into the public eye. Even though at times the process seemed contentious and tedious, it was so successful that by the time the public hearing was held, there was not one comment against the building of the school. In the end, it is a shining example of what can be accomplished by a community with a common goal.

The construction of the new high school is a perfect segue into the discussion of another much needed asset in the County, the sports complex. This complex will transition Culpeper into a new era of capability, not only for the sports leagues but for all of the citizens of Culpeper. At a cost of over \$3.5 million it represents a quantum leap in the ability of our sporting/recreating public to not only have marvelous fields to play on, but also a place where tournaments can be sponsored. Good for public; good for the leagues; good for business; good for all.

The sports complex will be under the management of the Culpeper County Parks and Recreation Department, which will provide sound professional management and stewardship of the complex. Parks and Recreation will be guided by county rules and regulations but will be aided by the Parks and Recreation Committee and the Culpeper Sports Foundation (CSF). CSF raised additional money, helping to make the complex a symbol of pride in the community.

Shifting gears a bit. One of the greatest challenges we face as a community in the near future will be the necessity for robust communications. The challenge is particularly daunting in light of our rural character. The need for a new public safety radio system was heightened after 9/11. We can all be proud of the fact that we now have a very capable 800 Mghz radio system for our Sheriff, Town Police, EMS and Fire and Rescue. The system is based on four towers that will provide 95% coverage of the County, 95% of the time, 24/7/365. An added benefit is that we worked in close cooperation with Fauquier County to not only lower the cost, but to insure interoperability. In the event that a failure occurs at the Culpeper Emergency Operations Center, Fauquier EOC is the backup and vice versa. Orange and Rappahannock Counties are now following suit with their own 800 Mghz systems. This will allow for a seamless transition across all of the Planning District.

Four years ago, the Board of Supervisors recognized the need for wireless broadband communications not only for personal use, but for the attraction of business and economic development. The cost of the County entering that business on its own was forbidding, so the staff set out to find a business solution. Enter, Virginia Broadband. The company was searching for places to put their antennae, and the County had just constructed four public safety/commercial towers. What better place for a synergy of timing and need. As I write this, Virginia Broadband is offering a menu of broadband services in the County and Town and is continuing to expand north and south to provide service in other localities.

In every discussion of growth, particularly with regard to utilities, water and sewer is as prominent to the discussion as transportation and communications. You have been reading about the ongoing discussion between the Town and the County relative to the Town joining the Water and Sewer Authority. The debate centers itself on the need to have a plan in place that will provide service for the long-term future while balancing the management of growth. The discussions have moved the Town and the County closer to a unified plan than we have ever been. The progress is due in part to the timing of legislation that allocated the total nitrogen loading for the tributaries to the Rappahannock watershed and ultimately the Chesapeake Bay. In short, those who had allocations from the State Water Control Board would be in the business, and those who did not have the allocations would not. We are fortunate that the Town and County both received allocations. The question before us now is, what is the most effective use of those allocations for all of the rate payers and taxpayers in the Town and the County? This is one of those issues that on the surface appears simple, but in reality is very complex and therefore will take time to resolve. I can only add that there is a great working relationship and a mutual respect between the Town and the County. This is true at both the elected and staff levels. This will certainly be a tedious process, and no one can predict the outcome, but, I would call to your attention the fact that these two bodies have worked together to produce the new radio system, EOC, and the joint board room improvements.



## Congressman Eric Cantor

### Culpeper Students Participate in Congressional Youth Forum

This year I have been working with two Culpeper County High School students: Meagan Bedsaul and Victoria Hirsch-Straus. Meagan and Victoria are both members of the 2006 Congressional Youth Forum, a group of almost seventy high school juniors from across Virginia's Seventh District. The students were nominated by their principals and teachers. Throughout the year, students of the Congressional Youth Forum meet to listen to speakers and engage in discussion and activities that relate to current events, government, and issues facing Virginia and the Nation. Through interaction with these speakers and one another, students have the opportunity to learn about how our government works outside of the classroom, as well as hear from key experts and policy makers from both Washington and Richmond.

On Saturday, March 4, 2006, the first session of the Congressional Youth Forum was held at the University of Richmond. Meagan, Victoria, and other members of the Congressional Youth Forum and I had the opportunity to listen to a group of panelists with expertise in the fields of policy-making and the legislative process. The students were divided into groups and were asked to discuss and decide on a plan to promote an immigration bill that is currently before Congress. It was impressive to hear the students' insight into the complex issue of illegal immigration. Everyone was pleased with the final plan that the students formed as a result of their discussion. I believe that all those present left with a greater understanding of the policy-making process as a result of the knowledgeable panel and enthusiastic students.

The second session of the Congressional Youth Forum took place on Saturday, April 29, 2006, in Orange County. Students had an opportunity to hear from one of the Nation's most renowned scholars in the field of government, Dr. Larry Sabato, of the University of Virginia's Center for Politics.

The Congressional Youth Forum is an important educational tool, and I look forward to working with these students throughout the year. Culpeper can be proud of their local students. Meagan Bedsaul hopes to attend a four-year University and major in Political Science while Victoria Hirsch-Straus plans to pursue a degree in Theater. No matter what their career path, the Congressional Youth Forum promotes a greater understanding of our government and encourages these students to engage in government on all levels.

For more information on this program, please feel free to contact my Richmond district office at 804-747-4073 or 1-800-438-3793 or my Culpeper district office at 540-825-8960.

#### Culpeper County Board of Supervisors

To contact your Supervisor, you may email: [supervisors@culpepercounty.gov](mailto:supervisors@culpepercounty.gov) or call the County Administration Office at 727-3427, or call directly as follows:

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**The Board meets  
the 1st Tuesday  
of each month**

**10 a.m.**  
**General County Business**

**7 p.m.**  
**Public Forum**  
**Planning Business**  
**Public Hearings**

Agendas are available prior to Board Meetings on the County Website at [www.culpepercounty.gov](http://www.culpepercounty.gov) and in the Culpeper County Library





# Culpeper County Library

## Summer Programs at the Culpeper County Library for Children and Teens

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM!!!

No Storytimes May 29 thru June 27 as the Children's Staff prepares the Summer Reading Program. See page 5 for details about the fun that begins Monday, June 19! Or, watch our website (calendar) at <http://tlc.library.net/culpeper>

### Library's Gone to the Dogs!

A program especially for children who would benefit from the opportunity to read to an audience that provides total, unconditional acceptance—i.e. a dog! Beginning this spring the Welcome Waggers bring their therapy dogs to the library May 20 at 10:30 a.m. For more information, contact Youth Services Librarian Susanna Spencer at 825-8691.



# XTREME

**TEENS  
@ THE LIBRARY**

**It pays to read.**

**Check it out beginning June 19.**

**Wanna volunteer?** Orientation Thursday, June 1 – followed by a special program. (You don't have to attend one to attend the other.) Con-

**Don't forget Dial-a-Story at 825-0555.**

**It's free.**

**The stories change each week, so be sure to call often.**



## Culpeper County Library

271 Southgate Shopping Center

<http://tlc.library.net/culpeper>

540-825-8691



## Culpeper County Library (*continued*)

# Watch out for... The Culpeper County Library's 2006 Summer Reading Program

The fun starts  
June 19, the  
first day  
children can  
register  
to read books.

## Special Programs!



**Back by popular demand!**  
**Maglc 4U!** Thursday, June 22



The Wizard of Oz!  
Thursday, July 6



Thursday programs are 10:30 / 2:30 / 7:00  
Tuesday Storytimes for toddlers-grade schoolers on June 27  
and July 11, 18, and 25. Times are at 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.  
The last day to turn in reading logs for prizes for the  
Summer Reading Program is July 29.

The Library's Summer Reading Program is made possible by the Friends of the Library.  
Summer Reading Program materials are printed with funding through the Federal  
Library Services and Technology Act administered by the Library of Virginia,  
and provided at no cost to public libraries in Virginia.

Arthur

June  
22-24



Visit ARTHUR at [pbskids.org/arthur](http://pbskids.org/arthur)

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## Culpeper County Library *(continued)*

### Looking for a Good Book to Read?

Maybe you think you don't have time to read, even though you wish you did. Maybe you've read everything by your favorite author and wonder what else you would enjoy. Maybe you're a teacher looking for ways to entice your students into reading... Maybe you need to make a visit to your local library – or not! From the Library's catalogs or any other Internet connection, you can visit the Library's web page and take advantage of three online resources that will increase your reading pleasure:



So many books, so little time. For all you busy people, your Library has a new service: an Online Book Club that delivers books electronically. Signing up for the service is quick, easy and free. You do not even have to have your Library barcode number. Once you sign up, the Library will email a 5-minute portion of a book to you each day, Monday through Friday. By the end of the week, you will have read two or three chapters of the book and you can decide whether or not you want to finish reading the book by checking it out from the Library. Each week we will feature a new title.

You can choose from 11 different book clubs including Fiction, Non-Fiction, Romance, Business, Good News, Teen, and Mystery. You can also listen to Audio Books in your email. If you are interested in finding out what a new book is like before it is even published, you will want to try the Pre-Publication Club. Now you can discover great books, even if you're too busy to visit the Library.

Look for the Online Book Clubs link under "Books & Reading" on the Library's main web page at <http://www.cclva.org>.



Novelist is a fiction database that provides subject heading access, reviews, annotations, and much more for over 135,000 fiction titles. It also includes other content of interest to fiction readers, such as Author Read-Alikes, What We're Reading, Book Discussion Guides, BookTalks, and Annotated Book Lists. For school media specialists and teachers there are Picture Book Extenders and articles on Teaching with Fiction.

One of Novelist's best features is their collection of Author Read-Alike articles which are linked under the "For Readers" tab. You can also do a regular search in the their database and click on the "Find Similar Books" button once you've found a title that you have you enjoyed. Novelist has a "School Resources" tab with helpful ideas for using picture books, booktalks for children and young adults, and other ideas for "Teaching with Fiction."

You can find the link to Novelist on the left side of the library's main web page at <http://www.cclva.org> under "Books & Reading."



What Do I Read Next? includes over 119,700 recommended titles, more than 65,100 plot summaries, and awards information from 566 awards, all to help users uncover new reading adventures, find long-remembered favorites, and discover award-winning titles. Search by genre, subject, author, title, series, and more. A monthly highlights page allows the user to see selections of award winners, upcoming titles, and titles that revolve around different subjects each month. Most books included in the database are either award-winners, bestsellers, or titles from recommended reading lists.

One difference between Novelist and What Do I Read Next? is that Novelist covers only fiction titles, while What Do I Read Next? also includes non-fiction. A particularly helpful feature of What Do I Read Next? is the "Who? What? Where? When?" search which allows you to find books about certain kinds of characters, topics or settings. You can limit to books that take place in a specific time frame which is beneficial for students who are required to read books set in a specific era, such as during the Civil War.

You can find the link to What Do I Read Next? by clicking on the "Books & Reading" link from the Library's main web page at <http://www.cclva.org>.

Of course, you can always come visit the Library and talk to the staff about books. And while you are at the Library, pick up your copy of BookPage, a reader's guide to selecting the best in new books with a variety of monthly features including author interviews. BookPage is provided by The Friends of Culpeper County Library.

The Library would like to remind you that we have Wi-Fi or wireless Internet service for the public. The service is accessible by anyone with a wireless connection to their laptop or PDA. The library has had a T-1 since we opened in 1998. Printers will be available soon for Wi-Fi.



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## Culpeper County Library (*continued*)

# Friends

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOKSTORE HOURS:

Monday: 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Thursday: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.



Location:

In the Culpeper County Library, at the back, next to the computer room.

The Friends of the Library Book Store is a great place to find good reading for yourself and your family for those hot, sticky summer days at home. We have a wide selection of books, from the latest fiction to the old classics, and from biographies to the sciences, with a little of all in between. Our prices range from free for a small number of items, to a few dollars for the really new books and collectors' editions.

Visit the bookshelf near the entrance to the library even when the Book Store is closed. There are specially priced newer books, hardback non-fiction, hardback fiction, paperbacks, and a selection of children's and juvenile books. These may be purchased through the Circulation Desk any time the library is open. Also available at the Circulation Desk are our large, super-sturdy book bags for only \$6.00 each. Fill one up with your great Book Store finds!

The volunteers of the Friends of the Library Book Store thank you for your support.



The Ash Lawn Opera singers will be coming to the Library on July 9. Watch our website for the time. Their selections this year will be from the *Merry Widow* and *West Side Story*. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and Windmore Foundation for the Arts. Donation is \$5.00. Light refreshments will be served.

### Giving Tree



Support the Summer Reading Program and other library activities by sponsoring a leaf on the Giving Tree located in the Meeting Room at the Library. Your tax-deductible gift includes a four line inscription of your choice. Applications may be picked up at the Circulation Desk. The Leaves are dedicated each September at the Friends Annual Meeting.

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THIRD THURSDAY BOOK CLUB

will meet on the following dates:

June 15  
10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Atonement by Ian McEwan (A Booker Prize  
Finalist and National Bestseller).

July 20  
6 p.m.

Montana 1948” by Larry Watson (The Milkweed  
National Fiction Prize winner)

This is also our annual potluck dinner meeting to select books for next year’s discussions  
(August 2006-July 2007).

*These books are available at the Library Circulation Desk or for purchase, at a discount, at The Corner Shelf bookstore. Read these books and then join us for a lively discussion--new members are always welcome! This Book Club is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*



Storytelling for Grownups: Donald Davis

The Friends of Culpeper County Library are pleased to present a unique opportunity to hear one of the best story-tellers in the world. **Donald Davis**, internationally renowned storyteller, will be performing at the Library on Wednesday, May 24 at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Davis has been a featured teller at the Smithsonian Institution, the World’s Fair, and numerous festivals and concerts throughout the United States and the world. He has been a guest host for the National Public Radio program “Good Evening.” He has published many books and has produced a variety of audio recordings. He graduated from Davidson College and went on to earn a degree from the Duke University Divinity School. Before becoming a professional storyteller and author, he was a Methodist minister. Mr. Davis grew up in the Southern Appalachian mountains of North Carolina. He and his wife now reside in the Outer

Banks of North Carolina on Ocracoke Island. They have four sons. This program is FREE and will last about an hour. For more information about Donald Davis, you may visit his Web site at <http://www.ddavisstoryteller.com> .

*HeritageQuest Online:*

*The Library has available a “unique, growing collection of research materials for tracing family history and American culture.” Amateur or professional genealogists may now use this “powerful online library, with original page images for all documents,” either at home or at the Library. Simply go to our homepage and link up!*

**Donate some of your time to a good cause. . . . .**

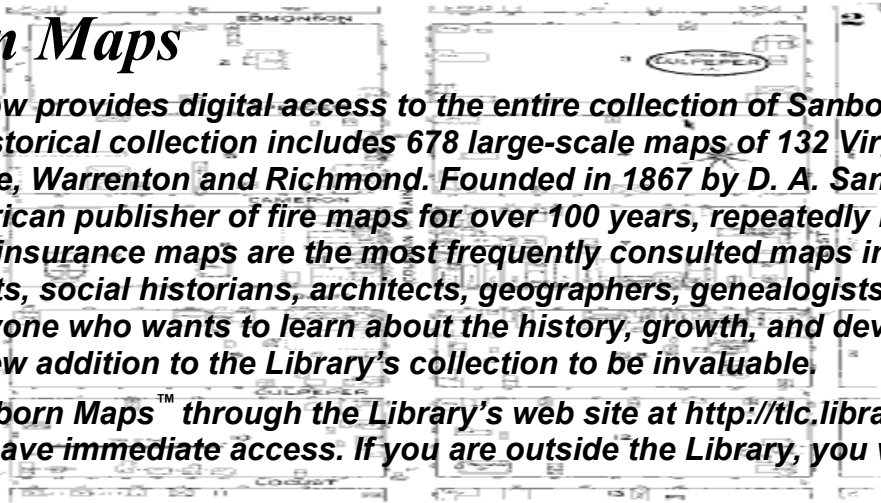
The Culpeper County Library is looking for dedicated individuals to help with shelving books or assisting at the Circulation Desk. If you would like to make a positive impact on your community, come join the staff and over 80 volunteers that help to make your Library what it is today! If you are interested in opportunities that are available, please call Kathy Clevenger, Coordinator of Circulation and Volunteer Services, at 825-8691.



*Historical Sanborn Maps*

**The Culpeper County Library now provides digital access to the entire collection of Sanborn® fire insurance maps for the State of Virginia. This historical collection includes 678 large-scale maps of 132 Virginia towns and cities, including Culpeper, Charlottesville, Warrenton and Richmond. Founded in 1867 by D. A. Sanborn, the Sanborn Map Company was the primary American publisher of fire maps for over 100 years, repeatedly mapping towns and cities as they changed. Sanborn® fire insurance maps are the most frequently consulted maps in both public and academic libraries. Urban specialists, social historians, architects, geographers, genealogists, local historians, planners, environmentalists and anyone who wants to learn about the history, growth, and development of Virginia’s towns and cities will find this new addition to the Library’s collection to be invaluable.**

**You may access the Digital Sanborn Maps™ through the Library’s web site at <http://tlc.library.net/culpeper>. If you are inside the Library, you will have immediate access. If you are outside the Library, you will need to enter your Library barcode to gain access.**



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## ***Kid Central 2006 Summer Day Camp***

A Division of Culpeper County Child Care

***Set Sail June 13th-August 18th***

Call 540-829-2124

**KID CENTRAL**  
Presents

***"Pirates of the Four Cs"***

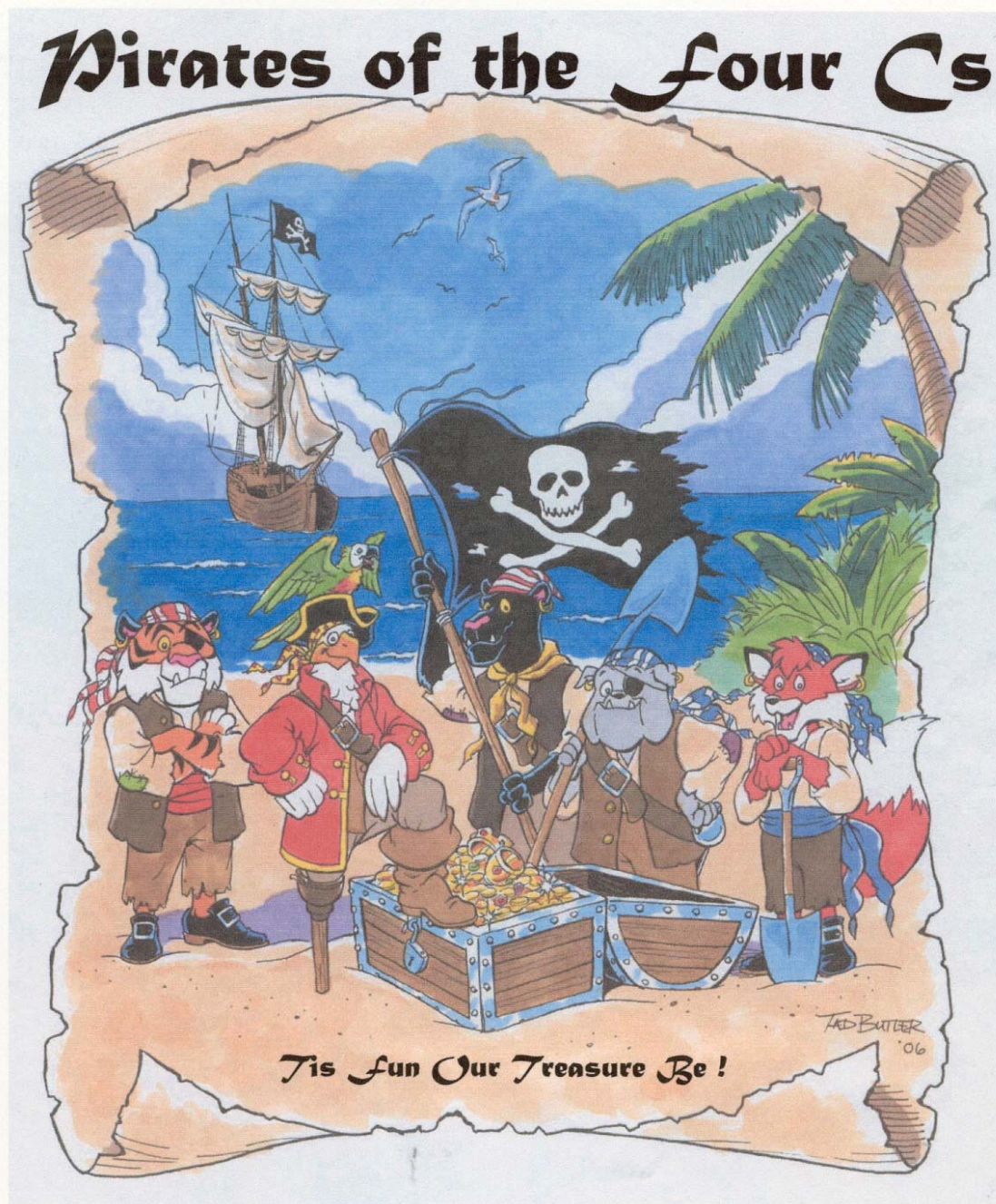
Please visit our web site for full details. Go to: [www.kidcentralculpeperva.com](http://www.kidcentralculpeperva.com)  
And click on Summer Day Camp.

We look forward to a  
Treasure Seeking Summer of  
Fun and Adventure!

***Don't Miss the Ship!***

***First Come First aboard!***

***See yer there, Mates!***



### ***Summer Day Camp***

The Crew of *The Kid Central* sets sail, **June 13 - August 18**, for children ages 5-12 years. Our location is Sycamore Park Elementary School, 6:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m., Monday - Friday. We are Closed July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Weekly Activities Include:** Swimming, Skating, Yowell Meadow Park, Crafts, Sports, Fitness, Computer Class, Theme Class, Art Class, Music Fun, Story Time, 4-H Cooking, School Library and more.

**Session Trips Include:** Funland, Splash Down Water Park, Riverside Center, Charter Bus & American Rover Cruise, Brandy Station Carnival, Big Meadows-Skyline Drive, Chuck-E Cheese, Mt. Run Lake and Culpeper Museum of History.

**Register Now.** Forms are available at all five Culpeper County Elementary Schools' After School Programs or call (540) 829-2124.



# News from Culpeper County Public Schools

Marla McKenna-Public Information Officer  
450 Radio Lane, Culpeper, VA 22701  
(540) 825-3677 x 3120

## Summer activities/classes happening in Culpeper County

### Culpeper County Public Schools Summer Enrichment Program

- Contact: Lynne Richardson, gifted program coordinator
- 825-4140 x4510
- For 3rd - 5th graders (as of June 2006)
- July 17 - 21 and July 24 - 28
- 8:45 a.m.-1 p.m. at Floyd T. Binns Middle School
- School bus service will be available
- Registration Deadline: May 19, forms available at all schools
- Breakfast and lunch provided
- Fee: Free

### Bridges Kindergarten Enrichment Program

- Contact: Dorenda Pullen, 829-2124
- For children who qualify to enter kindergarten in fall 2006
- July 10 – 14, July 17 – 21 and July 24 – 28
- 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., at Sycamore Park Elementary School
- School bus service will be available
- Registration Deadline: May 30, forms are available at the Galbreath-Marshall Building on Old Fredericksburg Road and at each elementary school during kindergarten registration
- Breakfast and lunch provided
- Fee: Free

### Culpeper County Child Care – “Kid Central”

- Contact Dorenda Pullen, 829-2124
- For ages 5-12 (as of June 2006)
- June 12-August 18
- 6:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. at Sycamore Park Elementary School
- School bus service will NOT be available
- Registration forms are available at each elementary school and at the Galbreath-Marshall Building on Old Fredericksburg Road
- Registration: April 16-June 1
- A.M. and P.M. snack; Lunch available to purchase
- Fee: \$85 per week
- On the Web: [www.kidcentralculpeperva.com](http://www.kidcentralculpeperva.com)

### Culpeper County Parks and Recreation

- Contact: Tabitha Riley, 727-3412
- For a complete listing, visit [www.culpepercounty.gov](http://www.culpepercounty.gov)

### Windmore Foundation for the Arts Children’s Theater and Theater Workshops

- Contact Marty Moon, Executive Director, 727-8777
- For ages 7-17 (as of June 2006)
- June 27-July 23, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Performances: July 22 at 7:30 p.m. and July 23 at 3 p.m.
- Location: Culpeper Middle School forum
- School bus service will NOT be available
- Registration Deadline: June 27, applications available at the Windmore office, 113 S. Commerce Street
- Fee: \$25 for workshop

## Groundbreaking ceremony set for new high school

Please join us at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 23 to celebrate the start of construction for Culpeper’s second high school.

The ceremony will be held at the construction site (intersection of Routes 29 and 666) and is open to the public.

For more information, please visit [www.culpeperschools.org](http://www.culpeperschools.org) or call Marla McKenna at 825-3677, ext. 3120.

## Nine high school students to attend summer residential Governor’s Schools

Nine Culpeper County High School juniors were selected to attend Residential Governor's Schools this summer.

The Summer Residential Governor’s Schools – held on college and university campuses – are designed to provide students between their junior and senior years with intensive educational experiences in their chosen fields, including the visual and performing arts, humanities, mathematics and science, foreign languages and agriculture.

*The selected students from CCHS are:*

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| ▪ Megan Snell - Latin Academy              | ▪ Stacey Pannell - Humanities    |
| ▪ Victoria Hirsch-Straus - Performing Arts | ▪ Maggie Martin - Math & Science |
| ▪ Beth Bennett - Agriculture               | ▪ Josh Willis - Humanities       |
| ▪ Stacy Mayhugh - Agriculture              | ▪ Jessica McCauley - Humanities  |

Students were either nominated by a teacher or guidance counselor or self-referred to apply for acceptance into the program. A combination of academic records, test scores, extra-curricular activities, honors, awards, creativity, original essays and teacher recommendations were used to make the selections. A selection committee from the Virginia Department of Education made the final determination.

About 650 students throughout the state attend the residential Governor’s Schools annually.

For more information about the summer residential Governor’s Schools, please visit: <http://www.pen.k12.va.us/VDOE/Instruction/Govschools/>

## Pearl Sample Elementary School DI team places 1<sup>st</sup> at state, heads to global tournament

### Floyd T. Binns Middle School team takes third

Students from Pearl Sample Elementary School’s Destination Imagination team will advance to the Global Destination ImagiNation tournament after a first place performance at the State DI Tournament on Saturday, April 22 at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond.

Pearl Sample Elementary School’s team of Chandler Curnow, Gates Bierhuizen, Julia Gloudeman, Ryker Bierhuizen, Tanvi Tyagi and Wyatt Montgomery placed first in the elementary “Back at You” competition. Parent volunteer Jennifer Bierhuizen managed the team.

This is the third time that a team from Pearl Sample has qualified to compete at the global tournament.

The Floyd T. Binns Middle School team managed by parent volunteer Cindy Grotz placed third in the intermediate level “How’d That Happen” challenge. Team members are Jared Brumfield, Shelby Brumfield, Nancy Collie-Beard, Inez Danzer, Stephen Grotz, Gwynne McKenna and Sarah Werner.

The global DI tournament will be held May 24-26 on the University of Tennessee campus in Knoxville.

Destination ImagiNation puts students to the test solving one of five published challenges through creativity and teamwork. For more information, visit the DI site at <http://www.divirginia.org/>.



# Career Partners, Inc.

## Connecting Business with Education

### Career Academy Senior Project Shatters Previous Fundraising Record

**Linnette Johnson**, a senior in the Health & Human Services Career Academy, completed the exhibition phase of her senior project by hosting the First Annual Step Show Competition at Culpeper County High School on March 4, 2006. This exhibition yielded a ***fundraising record \$5,300*** which shattered the previous fundraising record for Career Academy senior projects of \$2500! The funds raised by Linnette will benefit both the Piedmont Dialysis Center in Culpeper and the CCHS Step Team.

The senior project is the capstone to the three-year Career Academy experience, which is the cornerstone program of **Career Partners, Inc.** The project is a nine-month long effort that requires all Career Academy seniors to choose a worthy topic, an issue of significance or problem of interest, or a contribution that will make improvements in a selected career strand, the school or the community.

The exhibition must demonstrate the student's growth in knowledge, skills and work habits and must show that the student can apply skills across disciplines through the integration of standards. The senior project includes four central components:

- **Process** – the proposal, learning log, competencies and standards addressed and invitations to the exhibition committee
- **Written Research Paper** – research and analysis of information essential to the understanding of the topic presented in written form with appropriate citations
- **Product or Performance** – a product or performance which has worth or value to the student, the school, the community, or some other identified audience
- **Oral Presentation** – the oral presentation of the process and learning presented to a committee, which includes teachers, parents and business and/or community members

The guidelines for the senior exhibition of mastery have been developed to provide a meaningful learning experience for each student based on their strengths and interests. Furthermore, students must address Virginia Standards of Learning as well as Career Academy objectives within the parameters of the project.

The life skills and academic core competencies addressed by the senior project include 1) Goal Setting, 2) Decision Making, 3) Working Independently; 4) Working with Others, 5) Citizenship, 6) Information Processing, 7) Technology, 8) Communication, and 9) Problem Solving Skills.

A summary of other projects from some of this year's senior class of Career Academy students include the following:

**Alex Dias** hosted a talent show for all Culpeper County High School seniors on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Prizes were awarded to the top 3 acts. Funds were raised both from entrance and admission fees. Proceeds will benefit the Culpeper County High School Music Program.

**Ransom Dye** is working with the Troop Mail program to send cards from elementary school children in Culpeper to troops that are from the Culpeper/Piedmont area. He will be visiting elementary classes and presenting a lesson about the war and what the troops are doing and having them make cards to send overseas.

**Arsalan Lari** is developing a website for the Culpeper County High School Career Academy. He has collected information and photographs to design the website which will be linked from the Culpeper County High School webpage.

**Patrick Miller** is working with the Commemorative Air Force in Culpeper at the Culpeper Regional Airport to host an event to honor veterans and raise awareness of the Commemorative Air Force. There will be an open house event, complete with guest speakers, airplane displays, refreshments and raffles for airplane rides. This will be held on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

**Daniel Walters** is teaming up with Habitat for Humanity to provide services for a local family in need. He is raising money to build storage space for a family whose home was destroyed in a fire. He is raising the money by making crosses of Corion to sell through his church youth group.

**Terry Wolfe** has developed "Seniors for Seniors" which is a car show that Culpeper County High School students can participate in to raise money for the Culpeper County Nutrition Center. The show will be held on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Culpeper County High School parking lot. Admission is free, but car entry is \$15 in advance and \$20 on the day of the event. Local businesses will have booths set up and refreshments will be sold.

**Christine Wright** is working with the Childhood Development Program at Culpeper County High School to create a program to assist those with special needs. This would be a class that students interested in the field of special needs children could take and learn about a possible career in this area. The students would be working with special needs children in the Culpeper County Schools.

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Contact us at (540)727-7792; or E-mail us at [mstay@cpi-va.com](mailto:mstay@cpi-va.com).**



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**The Carver Center for Applied Learning**  
**GED Testing Schedule**  
**Denise S. Vogt, Chief Examiner**

**GED Schedule for 2006**

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October 20 & 21

November 24 & 25

December 15 & 16

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Culpeper GED – 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM/Tues. & Thurs./Culpeper Literacy  
Council, 415 S. Main Street, Suite 204, Culpeper, VA

Culpeper Literacy Council GED – 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM/Mon. & Wed.  
415 S. Main Street, Suite 204, Culpeper, VA

Culpeper/Rappahannock ESOL – English As A Second Language  
6:30 PM – 9:00 PM/Tues. & Thurs./Culpeper Career Resource Center  
219 E. Davis Street, Culpeper, VA & Culpeper Depot, 113 S. Commerce St.  
Culpeper, VA

Morning ESOL – 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM/Mon.  
Virginia Community Bank, 701 South Main St., Culpeper, VA

Regional TFL – 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM/Mon. & Thurs.  
Carver-Piedmont School, 9432 James Madison Hwy., Rapidan, VA

Literacy Council of Madison GED – 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon/Tues. & Thurs.  
Madison Literacy Council, Thrift Rd. Old School Board Bldg., Madison, VA

Madison GED – 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM/Tues. & Thurs.  
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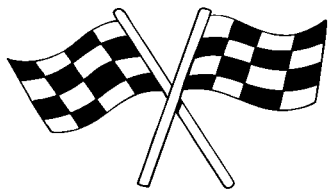
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Orange County High School, Room #136, 201 Selma Rd., Orange, VA

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Rappahannock High School, Washington, VA

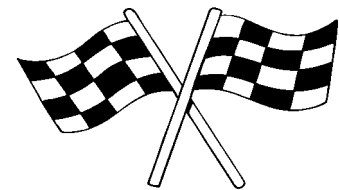


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